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1. REVIVED CAMBODIAN ICC A POSSIBILITY

THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR IN PHNOM PENH HAS TOLD OUR EMBASSY THAT THE UK GAVE THE KHMER GOVERNMENT AN "ENCOURAGING" RESPONSE TO ITS DEMARCHE ON ICC REACTIVATION. THE AMBASSADOR SAID THE UK IS READY TO DISCUSS ICC REACTIVATION "IN A CONTEXT OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS," AND ADDED THAT THIS QUALIFIER IS MEANT SIMPLY TO RECOGNIZE THAT A REACTIVATED ICC CAN DO NOTHING AS LONG AS WIDESCALE COMBAT CONTINUES. (CONFIDENTIAL) PHNOM PENH 6694 7/4.

2. BUNKER HUNT ASKS DEPARTMENT FOR HELP

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BUNKER HUNT OIL COMPANY HAVE ASKED THE US GOVERNMENT TO ASSIST THEM BY SENDING A NOTE TO LIBYA INDICATING THAT THE NATIONALIZATION APPEARS TO BE DISCRIMINATORY, BY SUPPORTING THE COMPANY IN ITS PRIVATE ACTIONS TO BLOCK DISTRIBUTION HERE AND ABROAD OF OIL FROM THE NATIONALIZED CONCESSION, CONFIDENTIAL

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AND PROVIDING INFORMATION ON MOVEMENTS OF TANKERS FROM TOBRUK. UNDER SECRETARY CASEY TOLD THE REPRESENTATIVES THAT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD SEND A NOTE ALONG THE

REQUESTED LINES, AND WOULD STUDY WAYS OF BEING HELPFUL IN THE OTHER TWO AREAS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) STATE 131160, 7/4.

3. PREPARATIONS FOR MIDDLE EAST SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE

THE BRITISH HAVE SUGGESTED TO THE EGYPTIANS AT THE UN THAT THEY CONSULT WITH US TO DETERMINE IF A SATIS---FACTORY SOLUTION TO THE SC MIDDLE EAST DEBATE CAN BE FOUND, USUN HAS LEARNED FROM A UK MISSION SOURCE. EGYPTIAN REPRESENTATIVE MEGUID, IN AGREEING WITH THE SUGGESTION, EMPHASIZED THAT EGYPT IS NOT PREPARED TO COMPROMISE ON THE PRINCIPLE OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND THE RIGHTS OF PALESTINIANS, AND ADDED THAT THOUGH EGYPT DID NOT WISH TO PROVOKE A US VETO, IT WAS NOT AFRAID OF IT. MEGUID TOLD THE UK SOURCE THAT EGYPT HAD EXPECTED LITTLE FROM THE NIXON- BREZHNEV SUMMIT, AND ITS EXPECTATIONS WERE REALIZED. (CONFIDENTIAL) USUN 2469, 7/3 (EXDIS) RUSH

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